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MICRO,SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA

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Promotion of Agro-Rural Industries
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Will the Minister of MICRO,SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to launch new schemes for promotion of agricultural and rural industries for upliftment of the rural population;

(b) if so,the details thereof including the funds allocated/released, number of agro rural based industries set up and persons benefited therefrom in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from various States including Chhattisgarh for setting up of agro-based rural industries;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the status of the said proposals, State/UT-wise; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to promote agro-based rural industries in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF
MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH)
(a): No.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): No.

(d): Does not arise.

(e): The Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises has launched a new scheme namely, ASPIRE (A Scheme for Promoting Innovation, Rural Industry and Entrepreneurship) on 18.3.2015 to accelerate entrepreneurship and to promote start-ups for innovation and entrepreneurship in agro-industry. Under ASPIRE, 80 Livelihood Business Incubation (LBI) centres are to be set up in which a total of 104000 incubates will be trained and 30 (10 new & 20 existing) Technology Business Incubation (TBI) centres will be supported and setup. A Fund of Funds has been created under SIDBI for start-ups and Rs.60 crore released for operationalizing the fund.